

What is claimed is:

1. An image display method for displaying a plurality of images on a display means, wherein;

based on at least one display protocol sequence, in which
5 a plurality of display protocols that define a display layout are lined up in a predetermined order, the display layout of said plurality of images is switched by switching said display protocols and said plurality of images are displayed on said display means.

10 2. An image display method according to claim 1, wherein; for cases in which there are multiple display protocol sequences, the desired display protocol sequence can be selected, and based on the selected display protocol sequence, said plurality of images are displayed on the display means.

15 3. An image display method according to claim 2, wherein; said plurality of display protocol sequences can be switched, and based on the display protocol sequence switched to, said plurality of images are displayed on the display means.

4. An image display method according to claim 1, 2, or 3,
20 wherein;

the display protocol sequences are created based on the predetermined conditions, and based on said created display protocol sequence, said plurality of images are displayed on the display means.

25 5. Image display apparatus for displaying on a display means said plurality of images, comprising:

a memory means for remembering at least one display protocol sequence, in which a plurality of display protocols that define a display layout are lined up in a predetermined order, and

5 control means which by switching, based on said at least one display protocol sequence, the plurality of display protocols, switches the display layout of a plurality of images and displays said plurality of images on the display means.

6. An image display apparatus according to claim 5, further
10 comprising:

input means for receiving selection of the desired display protocol sequence, for cases in which multiple display protocol sequences are remembered in said memory means, wherein;

15 based on the selected display protocol sequence in said input means, the control means displays on the display means the plurality of images.

7. An image display apparatus according to claim 6,
wherein;

the control means can switch the multiple display protocol
20 sequences, and based on the switched to display protocol sequence, said plurality of images is displayed on the display means.

8. An image display apparatus according to claim 5, 6, or
7, wherein;

based on the predetermined conditions, the control means
25 creates the display protocol sequences, and
based on said created display protocol sequence, said

plurality of images are displayed on the display means.

9. A computer-accessible storage medium on which a program
that causes a computer to execute the image display method in
which a plurality of images are displayed on the display means,
5 wherein;

 said program contains a display procedure for, based on
at least one display protocol sequence, in which a plurality
of display protocols that define a display layout are lined up
in a predetermined order, switching the display layout by
10 switching said display protocols and displaying on the display
means the plurality of images.

10. A computer-accessible storage medium according to
claim 9, further comprising:

 a receiving procedure for receiving selection of the
15 desired display protocol sequence for cases in which there are
multiple display protocol sequences, wherein;

 based on the selected display protocol sequence, said
display procedure displays the plurality of images on the display
means.

20 11. A computer-accessible storage medium according to
claim 10, further comprising:

 a switching procedure for switching the multiple display
protocol sequences, wherein;

25 based on the display protocol sequence switched to, said
display procedure displays the plurality of images on the display
means.

12. A computer-accessible storage medium according to
claim 9, 10, or 11, further comprising:

a procedure for creating, based on the predetermined
conditions, said display protocol sequences, wherein;

5 based on the created display protocol sequence, said
display procedure displays the plurality of images on the display
means.

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